Failure to Redesign Public Private Partnership contracts

209. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Planning Commission has failed in the attempt to redesign Public Private Partnership contracts for the nation's highway building exercise;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor and the number of the projects that have been paralysed;

(c) what will be the policy of Government to award the projects for National Highways; and

(d) the time frame by which these projects are likely to be awarded?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) and (b) Planning Commission, as the Secretariat for Committee on Infrastructure has published a Model Concession Agreement (MCA) for taking up National Highway Projects through Public Private Partnership (PPP).

(c) and (d) The future projects of various phases of National Highway Development Projects (NHDP) are to be awarded mainly through Public Private Partnership (PPP) and target their completion is December, 2015.

Six-lane National Highway in the country

†210. SHRI MOTILAL VORA:
MS. SUSHILA TIRIYA:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to convert 6700 kms. long four-lane National Highway into a six-lane National Highway;

(b) if so, whether any plan has so for been prepared therefor alongwith details thereof;

(c) if not, by when the plan will be prepared for the purpose;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.